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## TONOPAH WELCOMES ITS MANY VISITORS

Tonopah extends a hearty greeting to its hosts of visitors, who are arriving to enjoy the Fourth of July celebration. The keys of the city have been turned over to our guests, and dressed in gala attire, we welcome those who will join in the festivities.

This is our day in the year when patriotism should be uppermost in the minds of all true Americans. Just 146 years ago today the fathers of our country attached their signature to the Declaration of Independence at Philadelphia, and on that day the United States of America—the land of the free—was born. Our progress has been remarkable during the intervening time, and at this day we witness this country being the greatest power on earth, and so regarded by every country of the world. Through the efforts of our people, barbarism has practically been banished throughout the countries to the old world and a new freedom given to the people. We have not yet reached the pinnacle of our usefulness as is evidenced from the fact that it was through the efforts of the statesmen of this country that a long period of peace—perhaps everlasting peace—among the big powers of the world has been assured. All of which means that these big powers will curb any attempt at aggression or barbarism that may be attempted by the little powers.

Tonopah is staging the most patriotic, unique and sane celebration that was ever called to the attention of the people of Nevada. Liberal prizes are to be awarded and while much is to be crowded into one day, the entertainment afforded is to be so varied that all will find enjoyment that is to their liking. Visitors, you are welcome to Tonopah, the premier silver mining camp of the world. May your visit be pleasant and may it be edifying.

## FURTHER BUSINESS HANDICAPS

The Democratic blue sky bill now before congress purports to be a measure to prevent the use of the United States mail for promoting the sale of securities contrary to the laws of the states. We already have statutes enjoining heavy penalties for fraudulent use of the mail.

This bill, as it passed the house, is a jumble of illogical and contradictory provisions.

If the association of state blue sky commissioners who are backing it had referred the bill to a committee of sheriffs they might have received some valuable suggestions, says the Manufacturer. The bill attempts to specify certain classes of securities which may be sold through interstate mails. This leaves an implication that everything else is of questionable character. You can not make a thing a fraud by calling it a fraud if it is not a fraud.

It is alright to draw a statute punishing a fraud and give a right to recover in those cases where fraud or misrepresentation induced a purchase, but it is ridiculous to make a person liable for damages where there is in fact no damage and give to a purchaser the right to repudiate a contract. This act would change the rule of law in every state in the Union in actions of fraud. Enforcement of the law would require a horde of new public officials, more numerous than the "dry law" special agents, because its enforcement is to be taken away from the postal department and given to the department of justice.

The bill in no way gives added protection to the investor from the smooth stock salesman who solicits business personally and sells the majority of worthless stock issues.

While the aim of this bill is worthy, it adds nothing to the protection of the public which would compensate for the handicaps it places on doing business.

## IMPORTERS' SPECIOUS ARGUMENT

One specious bit of argument on which the importers' coalition is placing great emphasis is that the rate of duty on a specified article represents a large aggregate increase of cost to the consumers. For example, let us consider shears and scissors. This is an industry which was built up in this country under the republican policy of protection, and which was just about the blow up when the opening of the way in Europe offset the effects of the democratic tariff bill.

It is estimated that the total capital invested in the shears and scissors industry in the United States is about \$9,000,000 and the gross sales in 1920 amounted to about \$12,000,000, the annual payroll being \$5,700,000, and the number of employees 4,000. The proposed rate of duty on shears and scissors averages some where around 50 per cent ad valorem, and the importers urge protests to congress on the part of the people by asserting that this means an increase of cost to the people of the country for shears and scissors of 50 per cent of \$12,000,000—the output in 1920—of \$6,000,000 on this one item alone. In short, they say the manufacturers will absorb the entire duty rate by adding up the price.

Such a preposterous argument finds weight with people who are not able to think, and who can not see that production and competition would take care of this. And by raising this dust the importers, with their costly propaganda against the American protective policy, seek to distract attention from what they themselves are doing in flooding the buying public.

But, fortunately, we have evidence which convicts them, secured through the customs branch of the treasury department where numerous articles were assessed for duty and then these same articles were traced and purchased over the department store counters of the importers, receipts taken for the purchase price, and the articles identified by the customs appraisers. Shears exhibit a typical instance. It was found that these importers got shears in duty paid at 15 cents the pair, and then charge \$2.65 a pair for them at retail, or a spread from the port of entry to the last purchaser of \$2.50—1667 per cent. If we should generously allow them 167 per cent for handling and marketing the commodity, they would still hang it on to the purchaser to the extent of 1500 per cent.

Now, as between the uncorroborated statements of the importers, which are spurious on their face, and the proved facts of the government departments concerning the pirate profits which these same importers are making on hundreds of classes of goods, which is the American voter likely to believe? And, since he is concerned directly as a manufacturer or workman, or indirectly as a banker or bank clerk, or what not, in the maximum production of the factory and farm, which is the American voter likely to favor? And when the importers have the active assistance of foreign concerns, even foreign ministers to this country, in trying to beat down the protective tariff policy, is it not reasonable to believe that they are not talking for the welfare of the country, but for their own pockets?

GRASPING AT A SHADOW  
 There are 435 members of the house of representatives, of whom 301 are republicans, giving them a party majority that some members consider top-heavy. Some of the democratic leaders profess to believe that they will be able this year to overturn this majority, probably not many of them actually think there is more than a remote possibility of this, but it gives them a goal to strive for.

The hopelessness of the thing, from the democratic standpoint, would not be so apparent if the party had a single constructive issue upon which to make a campaign. Any issues that they put forth must be negative unless they can dig up a new one very rapidly and men do not accomplish by negation. Before a man or a party tears down, it must have something with which to replace the thing destroyed. Thus far the democratic campaign merely has been one of querulous fault finding and the capitalization of dissatisfaction arising out of the now rapidly passing industrial depression.

These are poor timbers upon which to build a platform that can weather the gales of a political campaign. Fault finders will become popular about the same time that crap shooting becomes the national indoor sport of missionary societies.

Nor does this mean that those who raise the standard of unrest will not attract to them some followers, for they will, but rather that the hard, common sense of the American people will demand, before they vote for a change, to know what is meant by the change, and if the democratic party has nothing to show it will be defeated much as it was in 1920, when, at least, it had in the league of nations and the personality of Woodrow Wilson the shadow of an issue.

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